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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR LEWIS; WHITE HOUSE
FOR BRZEZINSKI; JERUSALEM FOR USDEL

E. O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PGOV EG IS OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS)
SUBJ: SADAT'S SPEECH TO PEOPLES ASSEMBLY

REF.: SECTO 1068

1. WHEN I READ THE PRESS ACCOUNT THIS MORNING OF SADAT'S
SPEECH I WAS SURPRISED TO SEE THAT HE SAID HE HAD GIVEN
YOU "A REQUEST FOR WASHINGTON TO BALANCE ITS MILITARY AID
TO ISRAEL WITH EQUAL MILITARY AID TO CAIRO", AND THAT "I
ASKED VANCE TO ASK CARTER TO SUPPLY US WITH THE SAME
WEAPONS THEY ARE GIVING ISRAEL..." ROY ATHERTON SAID HE HAD
NOTHING OF THIS SORT IN HIS NOTES FROM YOUR DEBRIEFING;
NOR DOES REFTEL, WHICH MENTIONS SUBJECT ONLY IN PASSING
IN PARA 15.
ROY HAD NOT TOUCHED ON MILITARY MATTERS AT ALL LAST NIGHT
IN HIS PRESENTATION TO BEGIN AND DAYAN.

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2. ROY AND I AGREED THAT CONTRAST BETWEEN HIS PRESENTATION
AND SADAT SPEECH COULD RAISE A CREDIBILITY PROBLEM WITH
BEGIN IF NOT PROMPTLY CORRECTED.

3. I THEREFORE TELEPHONED BEGIN AT 0900 JAN 22 BEFORE THE
CABINET MEETING BEGAN. TOLD HIM THAT ROY AND I WERE SUR-
PRISED BY THIS PART OF THE SADAT SPEECH, SINCE IT DID NOT

REPEAT NOT REFLECT OUR UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT OCCURRED IN YOUR MEETING WITH SADAT. SAID THAT AS FAR AS WE KNEW, SADAT HAD MERELY TALKED ABOUT HIS WORRIES OVER SOVIET ACTIVITIES IN AFRICA AND THEN SAID HE WILL ASK US TO SEND HIM SOMEONE TO CONSIDER HIS MILITARY NEEDS. I ADDED THAT THERE WAS NO INDICATION IN ROY'S NOTES THAT SADAT HAD MADE ANY SPECIFIC REQUESTS FOR WEAPONS OR MILITARY AID. ROY HAD NOT EVEN MENTIONED SUBJECT LAST NIGHT BECAUSE IT HAD APPEARED SO MARGINALLY IN HIS NOTES ON THE MEETING AND HE WAS CONCENTRATING ON THE NEGOTIATING ISSUES.

4. BEGIN THANKED ME VERY MUCH FOR THE CALL. SAID HE HAD INDEED NOTED THIS DISCREPANCY AND HAD WONDERED ABOUT IT. HE CONCLUDED BY SAYING THIS WAS YET ANOTHER INDICATION THAT IN SADAT THEY WERE DEALING WITH A CURIOUS PSYCHOLOGICAL PHENOMENON. LEWIS

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